

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.: 10/675,922
Applicant: Tomohiro Okumura et al.
Filed: September 29, 2003
TC/A.U.: 1763
Examiner Rakesh Kumar Dhingra
Docket No.: 3688ME-49
Customer No.: **22442**
For: Plasma Doping Method and Plasma Doping
Apparatus

Confirmation No. 4135

NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Examiner mailed March 13, 2006, finally rejecting Claim 9. The Notice of Appeal fee of \$500.00, specified in 37 CFR §1.17(b), is submitted herewith.

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136, with the appropriate fee, is being filed with this Notice. The petition for extension extends the time for response from June 13, 2006 to September 13, 2006. Accordingly, the Notice of Appeal is believed to be timely and no additional fee is believed to be required. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account 19-1970.

Respectfully submitted,

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